HOUSE BILL 3477 By Curtiss

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to gambling devices.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-505(a), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision (5):
 - (5) It is not an offense for any person, corporation, partnership, or limited liability company to knowingly manufacture, possess, buy, sell, rent, lease, store, repair, transport, repair or make a class II or class III automated electronic gambling device if:
 - (A) The manufacture, sale or leasing of such class II or class III electronic gambling device is regulated by the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, compiled in 25 U.S.C. §2701 et seq., and any regulations promulgated pursuant thereto; and
 - (B) Such electronic gambling device is not sold, leased or in anyway transferred to any person or entity in any state, including, but not limited to, the state of Tennessee, in which casino gambling is prohibited; provided that such prohibition shall not apply to any such devices which are lawfully sold, leased or otherwise transferred to a person or entity located on premises owned or controlled by a Native American Indian nation or tribe and on which premises casino gambling is permitted.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.